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Education **DEPARTMENT.** L.E. 15553

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[G.O.No. 465 Educ. 30.3.21 referring to which the amount called for from the Asst. Collr. was sent for the Coming. Accounts and a second demand made for same but As the fund was not available a copy had to be called for from the Dept. of Archives which became available on 28.7.30]

Grants - Building- Mahila Sabha, Mangalore.

R.O.C. No. 489 B/30

Station Madras *Dated the* 1st July 1930 19

From (Name) W.E. Smith, Esq., M.A.,

Designation) Ag. Director of Public Instruction

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law and Education Department.

Sir,

The Honorary Secretary, Mahila Sabha, Mangalore in her letter dated 15th March 1930 (copy enclosed) requests me to recommend to Government the payment of a special grant of Rs.3,500/- towards the cost of extension to the Sabha building, construction of a well and a compound wall the total ~~cost~~ estimated cost being Rs.6,000/-

2. In G.O.No. 465 Law Education dated 30th March 1921 Government sanctioned a grant of Rs.3.875/- to the Sabha towards the construction of a building. When the grant was sanctioned at that time, the work turned out by the Sabha was ~~taken to a considerable extent of~~ the nature of a

continuation school. At present instruction in English, sewing, music, rattan work and Hindi is being imparted to a few women or girls. The classes are not held as in a regular school, consequently they have neither been recognized nor aided. Please see copy of letter dated 12th April 1930 from the Secretary Mahila Sabha.

3. While this institution seems to be doing useful work in education, it cannot be ~~rank~~ classed either as an elementary Secondary or adult school. It is actively interested in the advancement of women and keenly alive to their needs, social and educational. While it is not a recognized institution, its position remains the same as it was in 1921, when Government gave a grant towards a building.

4 It must be remembered in this connection that there are numbers of somewhat similar institutions throughout the Presidency particularly in connection with the Women's Indian Association which are doing or may, in the future, be doing similar work. Government may be faced with other applications of this kind if Government is ~~averse~~ not prepared gives a grant to this Sabha.

5. In the circumstances stated above, the application is submitted to Government for orders.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

for Director of Public Instruction.

Letter from Mrs. Lalitha Bai N. Subba Rao, Hon. Secretary, Mahila Sabha, Mangalore to the Director of Public Instruction dated 13th March 1930

I have the honour to submit the enclosed plans and estimates prepared by the District Board Engineer, South Kanara for the additional building, a well and a compound wall required for the use of the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore and to request that a grant of Rs.3,500/- may be kindly sanctioned for the purpose.

2. The present building consisting of a single hall with verandah all round had the honour of having its foundation stone laid by His Excellency Lord Pentland and of being opened by Her Excellency Lady Willingdon in token of their keen appreciation of the Educational and Social activities of this Sabha which actively interests itself in the advancement of the cause of women of all creeds and communities. In your proceedings No. 8151/18 dated 25th March 1919 you were pleased to sanction first a building grant of Rs.2500 which you kindly subsequently raised to a sum of Rs.3875 which was paid as half the actual cost of the building. In 1922 Government was pleased to sanction Rs.900 for its library and again in 1929 Rs.240/- for the same purpose and the library has now about 1000 volumes The present single hall is not at all sufficient for holding the Educational classes in English, Music, Sewing and Hindi for housing the library, the reading room and a Ping Pong Table and also for holding meetings. The Educational officers who conduct the annual inspections have repeatedly remarked that the library is in need, and the enclosed remarks of the Hon. Dr. Subbaraya, Minister to the Government of Madras and Mr. R.G. grieve, Director of Public Instruction will enable you to gauge the general educational and other activities of the institution. Government have repeatedly shown their appreciation by nominating from among its members women representatives on the District Board, the Taluk Board

the Mangalore Municipal Council and South Canara District Educational Council.

3. To enable the Sabha to increase its activities and also to provi accommodation for the existing activities, the Sabha in 1928 organised a Fancy Sale opened by the Hon'ble the Chief Minister to the Government of Madras and subsequently in the same week a variety Entertainment and later collected donations for the purpose which in all amount to Rs.2,000/- The estimated cost of the new building is Rs. 5500 and of the construction of the well and the compound wall is Rs.500/- making in all a total of Rs.6,000. The difference of Rs.3,500 this Sabha is unable to meet and in its behalf I request that in view of the special nature of this case, you may kindly be pleased to sanction a grant of Rs.3,500/-

Letter from Mrs. M. Subba Rao, Honorary Secretary, Mahila Sabha Mangalore to the Inspectress of Girls' schools, 9th Circle, Calicut.

With reference to your letter R.C.No. 151 D/30 dated 7th April 1930, I have the honour to furnish the following information regarding the activities of the Mahila Sabha as required by you.

One of the objects of our association is achieved by imparting education to such women or girls as cannot attend schools owing to social restrictions, customs, domestic inconveniences or other causes like extreme poverty and by otherwise supplementing the educational facilities afforded by Government in furthering the cause of women's education. With this object classes in English Sewing, music and rattan work were held whenever a need for some or all of them was felt. About three years ago the Hindi classes were also added. It is a matter for satisfaction that some ~~one~~ pupils after undergoing a preparatory course in the Mahila Sabha have joined the Government Training school for girls and the national girls school.

As the classes were not held as in a regular school grants were not applied for nor recognition s..

Educational Council.

The English classes. Biweekly Two

Seniors 6 Juniors 4

Teachers Mrs. Shambavi Bai Punja B.A.
Mrs. H. Manorama Bai B.A-L.T.,
Mrs H. Subba Rao (Intermediate)
Mrs. B. Lalita Bai(intermediate)

Mrs. H. Manorama Bai has since been transferred to Udipi. All teachers do honorary work. No fees are charged from the pupils.

Music class. Four times a month.

Number of pupils ten

Teachers Mr. Muhammad Khan, Mrs. Rukma Bai, Mrs. P. Sushila Bai

Mr. Muhammad Khan who used to conduct the weekly classes has unfortunately fallen ill and his classes have been temporarily stopped. They will be opened when he is well enough to teach or when a good substitute is available. Fees were charged only for his class and the same collected and paid to him. The other two teachers are members of the Mahila Sabha and do honorary work in teaching music and singing practice.

Hindi classes Three sections

Senior 8 pupils
Juniors Six
Beginners Four

Five of our Senior pupils appeared for the Madhagama Examination and all passed, one coming out first in the whole of Karnataka. Six appeared for the Prathamik Examination out of whom five passed One is appearing for the forthcoming Visharad Examination which is to take place next week.

Teachers 1. Mrs. D-G. Rai President of the Mahila Sabha and wife of Col. D.G. Rai. She belongs to the Punjab and her mother tongue is Hindi.

2. Segt. Pandit Devadoob Vidyarthi Hindi Pracharak stationed in Bangalore by the Hindi Prachar Sabha.

3. Mrs. Kripa Bai a member of the Mahila Sabha who has passed with credit the first three Hindi Examinations and appears for the

highest shortly. All the teachers do honorary work except Pandit evadoot Vidyarthi who is paid by the Hindi Prachar Sabha. A nominal uition fee of eight annas or 4 is charged which goes to the H.P. abha.

he sewing class. The pupils who numbered eight finished a course n 'cutting out' and the class has been closed temporarily. The ecessity of a separate room is greatly felt and the class will be eopened when we have more accommodation and a sewing machine of our wn. Our teacher was Miss S. Neethi one of the teachers in Miss eyer's girls' school. She was given an honorarium of Rs.60 year. The cost of the teachers salary is met from the General unds supplemented by fees from the pupils. A separate account as therefore not kept.

Our building consists of only one hall and an open verandah ll round. As all the classes cannot be held in the hall, the ecessity of extending the building is keenly felt. The Library and reading room require a separate room especially ~~as the reading room room require a separate room especially as~~ as the reading room is to be open daily. The other classes require at least two more rooms too. With this object, the Sabha got up a vanity entertainment and a fancy sale and with some donations has been able to make about Rs.2500/- The amount required is more than Rs.6000/- Hence an application has been made to Government praying for a grant of Rs.3500. The Sabha was given a half grant of Rs.3875 in 1920 when the hall was built.

The Mahila Sabha or ~~one~~ Ladies Association is not a regular school but is cooperating with the girls schools in giving educa tion and imparting knowledge by conducting classes, arranging courses of lectures on First aid and other useful subjects and general lectures on varied useful and interesting subjects.

It is prayed the Government will be pleased to sanction Rs.3500/- as they sanctioned Rs.3875/- in 1920 and we further request you to be so good as to recommend the same-

(True Copy) /Signed/ S. G. Lowe

For Director of Public Instruction.

Education dept.

Memo no. 1555B-2 dy. 26.8.30

Building grants to the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore-Letter from the D.P.I, R.O.C. No:489 B/30 dated 1-7-30

From the D.P.I's letter ~~read~~ noted above and its enclosure it is observed that 'Hindi' is one of the subjects in which instruction is provided by the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore. It is not clear in what way the teaching of 'Hindi' benefits the girls of Mangalore and whether Govt should grant aid towards the provision of accommodaion for Hindi classes. The D.P.I is requested to offer his remarks on the point and also to furnish particulars about the Hindi Prachar Sabha referred to in the letter of the Honorary Secy to the Mahila Sabha.

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REMINDER. _____ *Branch.* **REPLY.** 6/10

To THE Director of Public Instruction

To THE Secretary to Government Law (Education) Department.

SEP 1930 LAW DEPARTMENT

The undersigned ~~has the honour to invite~~ is directed to invite ~~invites~~ attention to the communication noted in the margin and to request that this reminder may be returned at once with information as to—

(1) the stage at which the matter now is,

(2) the date by which a reply may be expected, ~~and~~

(3) the circumstances which have caused the delay.

2. It is requested that the reply to this

No 1555 B-1, dated 26-8-30

2. The particulars called for fr the Inspectress of Schools, V Circle in respect of the Hindi Prachara S referred to in the Govt. Memo No. 1555 B-2 dated 26-8-30 have not yet been received. My remarks will be submitted on receipt of a reply fro Inspectress.

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R.O.C. No. 489 B/30

Station Madras, *Dated the* 10th November 1930

From (Name) R.G.Grieve Esq., M.A., C.I.E.,

(Designation) Ag:Director of Public Instruction

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

Law (Education) Department.

Sir,

In submitting herewith a copy of the letter from the Honorary Secretary, Mahila Sabha, Mangalore, to the - Inspectress of Girls' Schools, V Circle, dated 24-10-30, I have the honour to state with reference to Government Memo 1555 B-2 dated 26-8-30 that the teaching of Hindi cannot benefit the women residents of Mangalore any more than the study of any other language. The study of any language has educational value.

2. The teaching of Hindi is only a small incidental part of the work of the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore. As already

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pointed out in para 4 of my letter R.O.C.No.489 B/30 dated 1-7-30, the giving of grant to the institution will create a precedent and it should be clearly recognised, that to grant a subsidy to this institution will imply the adoption of a principle which will probably result in numerous similar applications from other societies.

last para of the letter at page 11 infra

2. Regarding the last sentence of the memo, I have given information separately.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Director of Public Instruction

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Copy of letter dated 24th September 1950 from the Honorary Secretary, Mahila Sabha, Mangalore to the Inspectress of Girls' Schools, V Circle, Calicut.

You might be aware that the Mahila Sabha has done a little educational work it can ever since it was started.

The Mahila Sabha has never been able to command funds for holding daily classes with paid teachers and only the services of honorary workers have been availed of for this purpose. It has been mainly trying to work along the line of adult education, giving opportunities to widowed or married women who cannot attend regular institutions. English, Music and Needlework have been taught for a number of years. Several years ago Hindi was also added to our programme, as a majority of our members are either Saraswaths or Gowda Saraswats speaking Konkani or Mahratti, both of which are allied to Hindi. The instruction in the Mahila Sabha ~~given only twice a week as instruction in the Mahila Sabha~~ it is done by honorary workers is given only twice a week as it is done by honorary workers and adults find it difficult to attend classes daily. Besides it is easier to pick up vernacular than English particularly when the Sabha cannot give them instructions for more than two or three hours in a week. Further some of the ladies here who have occasion to go to Bombay and other parts of Northern India find it a great advantage to know Hindi.

Thus instruction in Hindi has been goingon for the last four or five years and after all it is only a very few of our members who have been learning it in our Sabha, and it is also learnt only as a language which the Mahratti speaking people here wish to pick up in view of its comparatively large literature on modern subjects.

As for the Hindi Prachara Sabha, I am sorry I have no pamphlets to send you. But this much I can tell you, that is that the aim of the Hindi Prachar Sabha is merely to popularise Hindi, which they hope to make the Lingua Franca of India.

(True copy)

Edn dept

Crl no 1555B From the d.p.I. R.C. no 4-89-B/30 dt 1.7.30

Grants — Building — Mahila Sabah Mangalore

(S) In Crl no 465 Edn dt 30-3-1921, the Govt sanctioned a grant of Rs 3,875 towards the Construction of a building for the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore. The d.p.I now submits for the orders of Govt the application of the Sabha for a further grant of Rs 3,500, towards the Cost of extending its building. The Director says that the Sabha provides instruction in English Sewing, Music, Rattan work and Hindi to a few women or girls, and that as the classes are not held in a regular school, they have neither been recognised nor aided. Being an institution not recognised by the Dept, it does not appear that any grant can be sanctioned under the grant-in-aid Code

pp 1-2 cf

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2. Recently the Govt have sanctioned special grants to the Mahila Seva Sadan (Seva Sadan) which provides instruction (general education and technical instruction) to adult women. This institution is recognised by

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D.P.I. as a Special School, The Mahila Sabha, however, is not recognized, but the director points out that it is actively interested in the advancement of women and keenly alive to their needs, social and educational. Ordinarily an institution like this should be maintained from private benefactions.

The industries section has been recognized by the Industries dept and a grant sanctioned by the Govt. vide G.O. No. 1 dated 3-8-29

for 3 years

The Mahila Sabha does not ask for a recurring grant. As it has already been given a grant for building it is for consideration whether the present application for a grant for extension of the building may be entertained.

2. The total cost of the building is estimated at Rs 6,000/- If a grant is to be given it may be restricted to one-half of the cost and not Rs 3,500 as applied for by the Sabha.

3. The case may be sent to Finance for remarks.

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What has happened to the G.O sanctioning the grant towards the building in 1927? All you put up is the bare G.O of the DPI's letter. In view of the financial stringency schemes of this sort have to be examined critically.

A further search should be made

P.S. to back of page (5)

2/ I notice that Hindi is taught. In what way does this help Mangalorean girls?

What to the Hindu V. Madras Journal

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Para 1 of Dy Secy's note

As to this it has been made in the office portion to and the Madras Record Office Hindu to Dat whether the P.C. has been returned to that office Nice Cross and forthcoming depts of the Sentence (all Lichine) are being asked separately whether it has been put up in any of their files and if so, to return the same to this dept

Para 2

A draft note to the P.C. is submitted will be sent by M.L. letter or in the form of a memo or else to typed 21/8 Signed by me only

20/8/30.

A draft memo is submitted

22.8.30

value. He however points out that the teaching of Hindi is only a small incidental part of the activities of the Sabha. For particulars about the Hindi Prachar Sabha attention is solicited to the last para of the Hony. Secys letter at page 11 c/f.

The Director again states that the giving of a grant to the Sabha will create a precedent and that it will pave the way for similar applications from other societies. It does not appear that at a time of financial stringency it will be possible to entertain such applications. It is therefore for orders whether the request of the Mahila Sabha, Mangalore, may be refused.

The Secretary submitted that the grant may be sanctioned.

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